



## **State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

### **GOVERNMENTAL PROCLAMATION**

**Whereas**, the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have declared November 13-17, 2006 as International Education Week in observance of the many important contribution of international education to our nation; and

**Whereas**, international education and exchange include thousands of programs, public and private, campus-based and national, that promote the sharing of ideas and experiences across borders. These include study abroad programs, citizen and scholarly exchanges, foreign students on U.S. campuses, area and foreign language studies, and global approaches to U.S. education; and

**Whereas**, by participating in such programs our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures, and break down barriers to understanding and cooperation, which are vital to peace and prosperity; and

**Whereas**, we live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness and national security; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONALD L. CARCIERI, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM,**

**November 13 - 17, 2006**


**as**

**International Education Week**

in the State of Rhode Island and encourage all of its citizens to join in recognizing the importance of international education and to join in the observance of this week.



**In recognition whereof**, I have hereby set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations to be hereunto affixed this 13th day of November 2006.

  
**Donald L. Carcieri**  
**Governor**



**Matthew A. Brown**  
**Secretary of State**